# the Brief

#### CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

# Are You Prepared for Possible Flooding?

Due to recent fires that burned in the areas above the City, heavy rains may result in flooding or mudslides. Over the past several months, the City has held Flood Preparation meetings to educate residents about how to protect their properties in the event of an emergency. If you missed this meeting, you can watch a taped meeting online at: www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/OES.

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### 2010 U.S. CENSUS: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

#### What is the U.S. Census?

The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States, and is required by the Constitution to take place every 10 years. The 2010 Census will help communities receive more than \$400 billion in federal funds each year for things like hospitals, schools, highway projects, and emergency services. Also, this important data that is collected by the census helps determine the number of seats California has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

#### How do I participate in the U.S. Census?

In March of 2010, census forms will be delivered to every home. When you receive your form, just answer the ten short questions and then mail the form back in the pre-paid postage envelope provided. If you don't mail the form back, you may receive a visit from a census taker who will will ask you questions from the form. The majority of forms will be in English, however households in areas with high concentrations of Spanish-speaking residents may receive a bilingual form. Any personal data will remain private and is protected under federal law. For more information about the 2010 U.S. Census, visit: www.countyofsb.org/2010Census.

#### How do I get a job with the U.S. Census?

Are you looking for a job? You can become a Census Taker, a temporary position that pays \$15.50 per hour, with flexible hours, and a unique experience. The U.S. Census Bureau is an Equal Opportunity Employer. If you are interested in getting a job with the 2010 Census, call the toll-free jobs line at (866) 861-2010 or visit: www.2010censusjobs.gov.

# **NEW YEAR, NEW YOU:** 2010 FITNESS SOLUTION

Make City Parks & Recreation your resolution solution for fitness and fun in 2010! Find special deals on tennis, swim, dance and golf programs for January and February, visit: www.resolutionsb.com.



The goal of the
Carrillo Recreation
Center Restoration
Project is to complete
a comprehensive
rehabilitation of the
City designated
historic landmark
built in 1913.

### **CURRENT PROJECTS AROUND TOWN**

#### West Downtown Pedestrian Project

Have you noticed construction taking place in West Downtown? The West Downtown Pedestrian Project is in full swing and construction is expected to continue until March 2010. The majority of construction activity will take place at eight intersections – from Castillo to Chapala Streets along Ortega and Anapamu Streets. Project elements include pedestrian-oriented lighting, sidewalk replacement as needed, enhanced crosswalks, bulb outs, new street trees, and drought tolerant landscaping.

The goals of the project are to improve pedestrian safety and enhance the neighborhood's sense-of-place. When the project is complete, the Westside corridors along Anapamu and Ortega Streets that extend from the Highway 101 pedestrian overbridges to Chapala Street and into the City's commercial core will be significantly enhanced.

Tips for reducing holiday waste, visit: www.SBrecycle.org

#### Carrillo Recreation Center Restoration Project

An important historical asset to the City, the Carrillo Recreation Center has a long history as a recreation and meeting place in the community and has been used as a shelter during disaster events. The building has seismic inadequacies, dilapidated

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Current Projects (continued).

building systems, and dysfunctional office space, and does not meet Building Code or Americans with Disability Act (ADA) requirements.

The goal of the project is to completely rehabilitate this City designated historic landmark. Work includes office improvements, structural upgrades, various ADA accessibility improvements including new elevator/wheelchair lifts and restrooms, improvements to mechanical/plumbing/ electrical systems, and a new fire alarm system for the Recreation Center and adjacent gymnasium. Also, many of its original architectural features will be restored. The project is expected to be complete in December 2010.

#### Santa Barbara Airport

Named "Flight to the Future," the Airline Terminal Project at the Santa Barbara Airport has taken off. This project is designed to meet current and future passenger demand, alleviate long lines and overcrowding, and improve operations and efficiency. As the Tri-County region's "Airport of Choice," Santa Barbara Airport will be self-sustaining, exceed expectations for safety and quality service, and meet the air transportation and economic



Airline Terminal Project

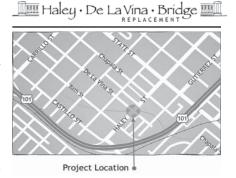
development needs of its customers and partners. The new terminal complex is expected to be complete in 2012. For more updates, visit: www.flysba.com.

#### Haley and De Le Vina Bridge Replacement Project

Construction has started on the Haley and De La Vina Bridge Replacement Project to upgrade the deteriorating bridge with a wider structure that will enhance water flow and meet current bridge and earthquake standards.

Additional improvements will include enhanced portions of Mission Creek and pedestrian areas near the bridge.

To enable bridge replacement, the intersection at Haley and De La Vina Streets will be closed until summer 2011. Area detours are posted on Bath, Cota, Ortega, and Chapala Streets.



The majority of construction will occur weekdays between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The Federal Highway Bridge Replacement and Reconstruction Program and Measure D are funding this \$12 million

For more information, please visit www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/HaleyBridge.

## Save Money, Save Water, And Get a Rebate!

- **REBATES AVAILABLE** on high-efficiency toilets & clothes washers, smart irrigation controllers, water-wise landscaping and more
- **RECEIVE A FREE WATER CHECK-UP** for your home or business
- TAKE THE 20 GALLON CHALLENGE

For More Information: VISIT www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Water, or CALL 564-5460.







# 2010 Waterfront **Parking Permits** Get Yours Today!

It's easy, convenient, and economical! Purchase 2010 Waterfront Parking permits starting December 1st from parking kiosks or the Waterfront Administration Office. Permits are valid from date of purchase through December 31, 2010. The cost is \$95; or slip-permitees pay \$70 at the Waterfront Administration Office. For more parking information, call 564-5523.

## Home 3% Improvement Loans

#### Home Rehab Loans Now Available

For Low-Income Homeowners Residing Within the City of Santa Barbara Limits

#### Eligible Work Includes:

- Roofing
- Window Replacement
- Painting · Sewer Lateral Replacement
- Plumbing
- · Disabled Accessibility • Foundations Electrical
  - · And More

#### **Financing Features Include:**

- 3% simple interest loans
- · Payments to fit your budget
- · No loan fees

The City of Santa Barbara will assist you with inspection and work write-up, plans and design, if required, obtaining a responsible contractor, and building permits!

For housing loan questions, contact Carol Carpenter at 564-5461, or email CCarpenter@SantaBarbaraCA.gov, or visit us at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/HousingRehab